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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1-5. **(Canceled)**
6. **(Currently Amended)** A material for producing membrane roofing sheets, comprising:
a textile backing (T);
a top layer (4) comprising at least one thermoplastic polyolefin resin, covering one side of the textile backing (T), and intimately bonded thereto;
a thin metal foil located on a side of the textile backing (T) opposite the top layer (4); and
a bitumen layer attached to the thin metal foil;
wherein at least part of a thickness of the textile backing (T) is embedded within the top layer (4) and the thermoplastic polyolefin resin is separated from contact with bituminous material by the metal foil.
7. **(Previously Presented)** The material as claimed in claim 1, wherein the bitumen layer is attached to the thin metal foil on a side opposite the textile backing (T).
8. **(Previously Presented)** The material as claimed in claim 1, wherein the top layer (4) comprises an ethylene polymer or copolymer.
9. **(Previously Presented)** The material as claimed in claim 1, wherein the thin metal foil comprises aluminum.
10. **(Previously Presented)** The material as claimed in claim 1, wherein the top layer (4) is combined with the textile backing (T) by calendering.

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11. **(Currently Amended)** The material as claimed in claim 1, wherein the top layer (4) extends over the entire width of the textile backing (T), and a textile tape (5), comprising a nonwoven, is bonded to the top layer (4) along one edge thereof.

12. **(Currently Amended)** The material as claimed in claim 11, wherein the textile tape (5) is bonded to the top layer (4) along a lateral edge thereof.

13. **(Previously Presented)** The material as claimed in claim 1, wherein the textile backing (T) comprises at least one fibrous web (2) combined with a textile mesh (3) based on a material selected from the group consisting of glass and synthetic polymers and combinations thereof.

14. **(Previously Presented)** The material as claimed in claim 13, wherein the synthetic polymers are selected from the group consisting of polyesters, polyamides, polyvinyl acetate, polypropylene, and combinations thereof.